



Africa Green, Resilient and Inclusive Housing De-Risking (GRIHD) Facility

The Global Center on Adaptation (GCA) is partnering with the World Bank (WB) to support the first phase GRIHD Facility. The project is the first phase of a Series of Projects (SoP) and aims to mobilize US\$440 million in private capital by leveraging US\$100 million in public investment to scale green, resilient, and inclusive housing in Kenya, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia, and potentially Ethiopia and Rwanda. The phased approach of the GRIHD Facility will catalyze climate solutions and drive adaptation and resilience through sustainable housing value chains in Eastern and Southern Africa.

Adaptation Need

Africa's rapid urbanization and soaring demand for housing requires an estimated US\$2.5 billion in annual investments to close the housing gap. With the public sector unable to meet this demand alone, most urban housing will continue to be developed and owned by private actors. Local financial institutions have the potential to increase the privately-built housing stock but currently lack the technical capacity to assess climate-related risks and resilience benefits of adaptation solutions. Tools to link climate risk to practical adaptation solutions, paired with targeted capacity building for these institutions, will be essential to unlock private capital for climate-resilient housing investment.

GCA's Added Value

GCA's technical assistance bolsters the capacity of financial institutions to make informed financing decisions that support climate resilient investments in the housing sector. GCA will achieve this by (a) building climate resilience across the housing sector value chain, by (i) developing a standardized market assessment methodology to identify country-specific climate risks to housing, and tailored adaptation solutions; and (ii) testing it in a single country to ensure applicability and further refinement of the approach; and (b) building long-term capacity of key financial institutions, GCA will develop a masterclass module on financing climate resilient housing, complementing GCA's Masterclass on Adaptation Finance for the banking sector. Outputs will include a 1-day training module and supporting materials. A training-of-trainers will be rolled out across the local financial institutions under GRIHD.

Total Investment Value Influenced

\$100.00M

Beneficiaries

N/A

IFI Implementation period

2024 - 2029

Program

Water and Urban

Partners

World Bank

Status

In progress

Countries



SDG contribution



PROJECT GOALS

Mainstreaming Adaptation and Resilience

GCA's support will equip financial institutions participating in the GRIHD Facility to identify, assess, and prioritize climate resilient investments across the housing value chain. This will mainstream climate resilience into financing decisions and contribute to the development of a standardized and operationally relevant list of priority materials, construction practices, and technologies that can be deployed at scale and replicated across countries and future GRIHD project phases.

Expected Outcomes

Enhanced integration of climate resilience into housing policies and practices: Developing a clear link between climate hazards and adaptation solutions will enable financial institutions participating in the GRIHD Facility to prioritize the most relevant adaptation measures.

Increased access to green, resilient, and inclusive housing in select countries in Eastern and Southern Africa: Integrating climate resilience into housing practices, developing scalable models, and building institutional capacity will contribute to expanding access to sustainable housing in the region.

Strengthened capacity to mobilize investments for climate-resilient housing: The

masterclass module will equip project staff and financial institutions with the knowledge and tools to design and finance housing projects that incorporate climate resilience.

TIMELINE

GCA Support Status

Technical Assistance Preparation

GCA Support Implementation

March, 2025

GCA Support Completion

Monitoring

Total Investment Value
\$100.00M

IFI INVESTMENT VALUE

\$95.00M

OTHER INVESTMENT
VALUE

\$5.00M

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